

CITY OF MIAMI BEACH  
Office of the City Manager



Letter to Commission No. 177-2005

**To:** Mayor David Dermer and Members of the City Commission

**Date:** July 5, 2005

**From:** Jorge M. Gonzalez  
City Manager

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**Subject:** Joint Resolutions from the Historic Preservation and Planning Boards

Attached, please find copies of Joint Resolutions adopted by the Historic Preservation and Planning Boards at their June 28, 2005 workshop. The Boards are urging the City Commission to take the following action:

1. Adopt the proposed revisions to the Land Development Regulations of the City Code pertaining to Nonconforming Buildings, and Engineer and Reconstruction Requirements.
2. Adopt the proposed revisions to the City Code pertaining to Building Recertification Procedures.

The Nonconforming Ordinance and the Engineer and Reconstruction Requirements Ordinance are on the July 11, 2005 agenda of the Land Use and Development Committee. It is anticipated that both Ordinances will be considered by the City Commission on September 7, 2005.

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c: Tim Hemstreet, Assistant City Manager  
Bob Parcher, City Clerk  
Jorge G. Gomez, Planning Director  
Thomas R. Mooney, Design and Preservation Manager

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**CITY OF MIAMI BEACH  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD AND PLANNING BOARD**

***JOINT RESOLUTION***


WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach Planning and Historic Preservation Boards are charged by Ordinance as serving in an advisory capacity to the City Commission and other City Boards on issues affecting Ordinance Amendments, as well as the City's architecture, design, historic districts and structures; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation and Planning Boards strongly supports the efforts of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on the Structural Integrity of Historic Buildings to address the issues of demolition by neglect and the failure of property owners to maintain existing historic structures; and

WHEREAS, the final report of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on the Structural Integrity of Historic Buildings recommended that the building recertification procedures should be amended to shorten the amount of time in between required recertifications for structures located in historic districts.

THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved that the Historic Preservation Board and the Planning Board strongly urge the City Commission to adopt the proposed revisions to the City Code pertaining to Building Recertification Procedures.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 28TH DAY OF JUNE, 2005.

  
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THOMAS R. MOONEY  
For the Historic Preservation and  
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WHEREAS, the final report of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on the Structural Integrity of Historic Buildings recommended that the nonconforming building regulations, (as well as all related regulations) be amended to assure the protection of existing structures by creating tangible disincentives for demolition by neglect; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation and Planning Boards strongly support the disincentives proposed for non-conforming structures being extended to conforming structures; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Preservation and Planning Boards strongly support the proposal for an independent Structural Engineer to evaluate demolition requests, on a case-by-case basis.

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